TABLE 2-42. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF BIRTHS WITH SELECTED MEDICAL CHARACTERISTICS BY RACE/THENICITY<sup>1</sup> OF MOTHER, CALIFORNIA 1999 (By Place of Residence)

RACE/	NUMBER OF BIRTHS BY MEDICAL CHARACTERISTICS			
ETHNICITY	Late or No	Preterm	Cesarean	Low
OF MOTHER	Prenatal Care <sup>2</sup>	Birth <sup>3</sup>	Birth	Birthweight <sup>4</sup>
TOTAL	16,319	51,807	117,568	31,686
AMERICAN INDIAN	169	272	532	150
ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	1,463	5,500	12,443	3,906
BLACK	1,301	4,955	8,892	4,045
HISPANIC	9,901	25,474	54,622	13,805
WHITE/OTHER RACES	3,425	15,350	40,451	9,571
UNKNOWN	60	256	628	209
RACE/	PERC	ENT OF BIRTHS BY MEDIC	CAL CHARACTERISTICS	3 <sup>5</sup>
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ETHNICITY	Late or No	Preterm	Cesarean	Low
ETHNICITY OF MOTHER	Late or No Prenatal Care <sup>2</sup> 3.1	Preterm Birth <sup>3</sup>	Cesarean Birth 22.7	Low Birthweight <sup>4</sup> 6.1
ETHNICITY OF MOTHER TOTAL	Late or No Prenatal Care <sup>2</sup>	Preterm Birth <sup>3</sup> 10.0	Cesarean Birth	Low Birthweight <sup>4</sup>
ETHNICITY OF MOTHER  TOTAL  AMERICAN INDIAN	Late or No Prenatal Care <sup>2</sup> 3.1  6.8	Preterm Birth <sup>3</sup> 10.0 10.9	Cesarean Birth 22.7 21.3	Low Birthweight <sup>4</sup> 6.1 6.0
ETHNICITY OF MOTHER  TOTAL  AMERICAN INDIAN ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	Late or No Prenatal Care <sup>2</sup> 3.1  6.8 2.6	Preterm Birth <sup>3</sup> 10.0  10.9  9.6  14.5  10.2	Cesarean Birth  22.7  21.3 21.8 26.0 21.9	Low Birthweight <sup>4</sup> 6.1 6.0 6.8 11.8 5.5
ETHNICITY OF MOTHER  TOTAL  AMERICAN INDIAN ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER BLACK HISPANIC WHITE/OTHER RACES	Late or No Prenatal Care <sup>2</sup> 3.1  6.8  2.6  3.8  4.0  2.0	Preterm Birth <sup>3</sup> 10.0  10.9  9.6  14.5  10.2  8.9	Cesarean Birth  22.7  21.3 21.8 26.0 21.9 23.5	Low Birthweight <sup>4</sup> 6.1 6.0 6.8 11.8 5.5 5.6
ETHNICITY OF MOTHER  TOTAL  AMERICAN INDIAN ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER BLACK HISPANIC	Late or No Prenatal Care <sup>2</sup> 3.1  6.8  2.6  3.8  4.0	Preterm Birth <sup>3</sup> 10.0  10.9  9.6  14.5  10.2	Cesarean Birth  22.7  21.3 21.8 26.0 21.9	Low Birthweight <sup>4</sup> 6.1 6.0 6.8 11.8 5.5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> American Indian, Asian/Pacific Islander, Black, White/Other Races, and Unknown exclude Hispanic. American Indian includes Eskimo and Aleut. Hispanic includes any race category. Unknown includes Not Stated.

Source: State of California, Department of Health Services, Birth Records.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Third trimester or no prenatal care.

 $<sup>^{3}\,</sup>$  Birth prior to 37 completed weeks of gestation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Birthweight of less than 2500 grams (5lb 8oz).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Percents are calculated using total births, which includes unknown and not reported in the specified category.